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BUREAU OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY
CCR CERTIFICATION FORM
CALENDAR YEAR 2012

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TOWN OF DECATUR

Public Water Supply Name

0510004

PWS ID # (*s):

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires each Community public water system to develop and distribute a consumer confidence report (CCR) to its customers each year. Depending on the population served by the public water system, this CCR must be mailed or delivered to the customers, published in a newspaper of local circulation, or provided to the customers upon request. Make sure you follow the proper procedures when distributing the CCR. **Since this is the first year of electronic delivery, we request you mail or fax a hard copy of the CCR and Certification Form to MSDH. Please check all boxes that apply.**
Please Answer the Following Questions Regarding the Consumer Confidence Report

☒ Customers were informed of availability of CCR by: (Attach copy of publication, water bill, or other)

- ☒ Advertisement in local paper (attach copy of advertisement)
☐ On water bills (attach copy of bill)
☐ E-mail message (MUST Email the message to the address below)
☐ Other _____

Date customers were informed: ____/____/____

☐ CCR was distributed by U.S. Postal Service or other direct delivery. Must specify other direct delivery methods used

Date mailed/distributed: ____/____/____

☒ CCR was published in local newspaper. (Attach copy of published CCR and proof of publication)

Name of Newspaper: The Newton County Appeal
Date Published: May 1 22 2013

☐ CCR was posted in public places. (Attach list of locations) Date posted: ____/____/____

☐ CCR was posted on a publicly accessible internet site at the address: (DIRECT URL REQUIRED):

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the 2012 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) has been distributed to the customers of this public water system in the form and manner identified above and that I used distribution methods allowed by the SDWA. I further certify that the information included in this CCR is true and correct and is consistent with the water quality monitoring data provided to the public water system officials by the Mississippi State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Water Supply.

David Anderson *off*
Name/Title (President, Mayor, Owner, etc.)

5-22-13
Date

This Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) was completed by MS Cross Connection, LLC with information provided by the above Public Water System and is certified only to be as true & correct as the information provided.

Susan Boyett
Signature

5-6-13
Date

Deliver or send via U. S. Postal Service:
Bureau of Public Water Supply
P O Box 1700
Jackson, MS 39215

May be faxed to:
(601) 576-7800

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Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
Town of Decatur
PWS ID #0510004
May, 2013
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We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source consists of wells that draw from the Lower and Meridian Upper Wilcox Aquifers.

A source water assessment has been completed for the Town of Decatur's water supply to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water to identify potential sources of contamination. The water supply for the Town of Decatur received a lower susceptibility ranking to contamination.

We're pleased to report that our drinking water meets all federal and state requirements.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact David Anderson at 601-604-5446. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month at Decatur Town Hall at 6:00 p.m.

The Town of Decatur routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2012. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

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Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal"(MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

TEST RESULTS

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
10. Barium	N	2010*	.05	No Range	Ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
13. Chromium	N	2010*	.8	No Range	Ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2009 to 2011*	0.2	None	ppm	1.3	AL-1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
17. Lead	N	2009 to 2011*	1	None	ppb	0	AL - 15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products								
Chlorine (as Cl ₂)	N	1/1/12 to 12/31/12	0.80	0.80 to 0.80	ppm	4	4	Water additive used to control microbes

* Most recent sample results available

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES

During a sanitary survey conducted on 1/31/12, the Mississippi State Department of Health cited to following significant deficiency(s):

- 1) Well near source of fecal contamination (ex. Septic system, sewer lines)
- 2) Lack of redundant mechanical components where treatment is required.

Corrective Actions:

- 1) The system has abandoned the well through the MSDH well abandonment program and is awaiting the final paperwork. It is anticipated we will be returned to compliance by June 1, 2013.
- 2) The system has installed another chlorine system and is awaiting the final paperwork from MSDH. It is anticipated we will be returned to compliance by June 1, 2013.

*******APRIL 1, 2013 MESSAGE FROM MSDH CONCERNING RADIOLOGICAL SAMPLING*******

In accordance with the Radionuclides Rule, all community public water supplies were required to sample quarterly for radionuclides beginning January 2007 - December 2007. Your public water supply completed sampling by the scheduled deadline; however, during an audit of the Mississippi State Department of Health Radiological Health Laboratory, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) suspended analyses and reporting of radiological compliance samples and results until further notice. Although this was not the result of inaction by the public water supply, MSDH was required to issue a violation. This is to notify you that as of this date, your water system has completed the monitoring requirements and is now in compliance with the Radionuclides Rules. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Walters, Director of Compliance and Enforcement, Bureau of Public Water Supply, at 601-576-7518.

Additional Information for Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Town of Decatur is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available

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